

MAKING NEW FIGURES

Exposition Attendance Has Turned Into the Seven-Figure Column.

FINANCIAL SUCCESS NO LONGER IN DOUBT

Management Greatly Encouraged by the Outlook for the Future.

CHILLICOTHE AND COLLEGE HERE

Missouri Sends Excursionists

PEACE JUBILEE PLANS PROGRESSING

President Waffles Works Steadily on the Details for the Great Observance and Gets Much Material Encouragement.

Total admissions yesterday, 14,428

No formal celebration or spectacular feature was necessary to make yesterday an important day in the exposition calendar. It was the occasion on which the total attendance ceased to be reckoned in thousands and the million figure was written in the book of records for the first time.

The fact that the million mark has been reached was regarded with unbounded satisfaction by the exposition officials. It indicates an average attendance of over 11,500 during the first eighty-seven days of the enterprise. This is considered a remarkable showing for the opening months, in view of the war and the difficulty of inducing people from a distance to attend an exposition during the summer months.

Peace Jubilee Preparations. While nearly every remaining day of the show will be made notable by from one to half a dozen special features, the great peace jubilee celebration is regarded as the premier event of the exposition.

The entire country seems to have discovered that the celebration is going to be the biggest event that has ever occurred in the west. President Waffles is receiving numerous communications from all parts of the United States which contain the most enthusiastic assurances of interest and cooperation.

There was a slight falling off in the attendance yesterday, as many of the out-of-town people who had come early in the week had left for home, and there were no extensive excursions to supply their places.

On several occasions during the last two months the young people of the city have given private dancing parties at the New York building on the bluff tract.

The New York building on the exposition grounds is in a conspicuous location, just east of the Horticulture building. It is modest and unpretentious, but architecturally attractive and especially suited for the lovely surroundings of green lawns, gorgeous flower beds on one side and with the river, the State and other exposition buildings on the other.

taste in its harmonious arrangement of colors, selection of furniture and decoration. Everything about it is so modest, but so very tasteful, stylish and appropriate."

HALF PRICES SUNDAY AND MONDAY.

Directors Decide on Two More Occasions for the 25-Cent Rate. The board of directors succeeded in getting a quorum yesterday and in completing the order of business before adjournment.

The question of limiting or unlimiting the number of admissions to the exposition was left in abeyance, when the previous meeting adjourned. When the board convened yesterday President Waffles announced that Casper E. Yost's motion that the committee be given the broadest possible scope before the board.

At the request of Manager Lindsey the directors met for the purpose of directing certain changes in the office system, was suspended and Accountant Streicher, Chairman Kilpatrick of the auditing committee and Secretary Wakefield were directed to recommend an improved system at the next meeting.

The protest of Central Labor Union against the employment of the Cosmopolitan band was placed on file.

Pass Inspector Mitchell reported that he had checked up the concessionaires' passes carefully and had found that some have passes which are not entitled to them.

RIVALRY IN FRUIT INCREASES.

Idaho Hopes to Cut Some Figure in the Final Award of Judgment. Yesterday Commissioner Driscoll of Idaho commenced installing the fruit exhibit from Idaho.

Superintendent Walker, in charge of the Douglas spruce exhibit, is proud of a lot of plums that have just been placed on exhibit. They were propagated by Theodore Williams, a farmer residing near Omaha, and have been named the Omaha Exposition plum on account of this being the first time that they have ever been seen by the public.

Superintendent Stanton, in charge of the Illinois fruit, is in high feather over the fact that he has just received word from Senator Dunlap, who has informed him that the Illinois commission is to be given an additional \$700 to be used in keeping up and in enlarging the Illinois exhibit.

Pottawatomie's Product. Superintendent Graham, who is in charge of the wigwam on the bluff tract, has succeeded in working up a deep interest among the farmers and fruit raisers of Pottawatomie county and the products of the farms and orchards are pouring in upon him at a lively rate.

CHOSEN BY THE CABINET

President's Official Advisers Agree on the Peace Commission.

DAY, DAVIS, FRYE, REID, JUSTICE WHITE

Possibility that the Last Named May Not Accept Position, as His Duties May Keep Him on the Bench.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The cabinet was in session two hours today and devoted a large share of the time to matters which will come before the peace commission.

At the adjournment of the meeting Secretary Day announced that four members of the commission had been selected.—Secretary Day, Senators Davis and Frye and Whitehead Reid. As to the fifth member no definite announcement could be made, Justice White's acceptance not having at that time been received.

The following attaches of the peace commission have been selected and will be appointed by the president: John B. Moore of New York, now assistant secretary of state, to be secretary of the commission, and J. R. MacArthur of New York, to be assistant secretary.

Another matter before the cabinet was the Cuban and Porto Rican tariffs. It was intended that the rates proposed some days ago should be subject to change if inconsistencies were found or if any injustice had been done the people of the islands or if any particular trade or industry had been discriminated against.

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THREE TRANSPORTS ARRIVE

Several Hundred Soldiers in Bad Condition Are Landed at Montauk Point.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The transports Yucatan, Hudson and Catalina arrived at Montauk Point today with several hundred men from Santiago. The arrival of the ships was reported to the commander in chief by General Wheeler, in command of Camp Wikoff.

CAMP WIKOFF. MONTAUK POINT, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Hon. R. A. ALGER, SECRETARY OF WAR, Washington, arrived with six companies Seventh infantry, 487 men, 110 sick, four deaths, no contagion.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 26.—The Commercial will print the following telegram. Dr. Phil Reig, surgeon in charge of the Olivette, on its last trip, said tonight: "The Olivette was certainly in terrible condition. It had more patients than it should have had. It was the only surgeon working and had no medicines for fever victims. All I could do was to let them die. As far as provisions were concerned, they were plentiful, but not of the proper kind. When we reached Boston many had died of exhaustion. I don't know who was to blame for loading the transport in such a manner."

CONDITION OF THE OLIVETTE

Its Physician, Dr. Reig, Says It Was Overloaded—Neither Proper Food Nor Medicine.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The president has received the following from General Joe Wheeler: I was very glad to learn that you would visit Montauk Point very soon. The visit of the secretary of war has accomplished more than I can express. He has promptly corrected ideas, made valuable suggestions and given directions regarding administration. In addition, his personal visit to 1,500 sick soldiers in the hospitals cheered them up and it is difficult to adequately convey to you the change for the better by the secretary's arrival. The announcement that you will visit the soldiers has already aided in their improvement and your presence here for even a single day will accomplish a great extent of good, which you can only realize after your visit. WHEELER, Commanding.

SCHLEY IS IN WASHINGTON

Great Throughs Assemble to Cheer the Rear Admiral, Who is Cordially Received at White House.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Rear Admiral Winfield S. Schley reached Washington at 4:10 o'clock this afternoon over the Pennsylvania railroad. He was quickly noticed at most of the stations along the line and throughout the trip he was greeted with cheering crowds.

At the gates the crowds increased and amid deafening cheers the admiral and his staff, following with his staff, passed through two solid lines of people. A lieutenant and squad of police with difficulty cleared a passage-way to the carriage which was in waiting. Through a mass of vehicles that had been drawn up by curious onlookers, the admiral and his staff were conveyed to the Shoreham hotel. There were groups of cheerers all the way and a cavalcade of cyclists formed a voluntary escort.

The president thanked him in behalf of himself and the nation for his brilliant services in the memorable engagement of July 3 and asked him to describe the battle, which the admiral did at length. The president took occasion to say that it was a battle which brought about the surrender of Santiago.

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FIRST CORPS NEARLY GONE

Second and Fifth Missouri Regiments Move to Lexington, Ky., Today to Be Mustered Out.

CHICKAMAUGA, Ga., Aug. 26.—By Sunday night or Monday morning the entire First army corps will have gone from Camp Thomas. The regiments that left today were the Second and Fifth Missouri regiments, the former commanded by Colonel Caffee and the latter by Colonel Lester.

SOLDIERS TO GET FURLOUGHS

Both Regulars and Volunteers Returning from Santiago to Be Thus Favored.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The first of the steamers of the newly established government line between New York and Cuba and Porto Rico to start from the United States will be the steamer Seneca, which will sail from New York next Monday. It is reported to have a steamer leave it in this service at least once a week.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—General Rawlston's report from Santiago of the health conditions of his troops today is as follows: Total sick, 557; total fever, 403; total new cases, 15; total returned to duty, 5.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Major George Andrews, assistant adjutant general, has been relieved from duty at the department of the East and ordered to report at Santiago as adjutant general of that department.

MUST PAY THE GOVERNMENT

Homestead Mining Company Thru Cases Finally Adjudicated.

TRESPASSERS PAY VALUE OF STUMPAGE

Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars the Amount of Money to Be Turned Into the United States Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The Department of Justice has succeeded in adjusting the celebrated cases of the United States against the Homestead Mining company and the Black Hills and Fort Pierre railroad company. The adjustment is as satisfactory as such things can be both to the department and to the defendants and the latter will turn over to the government \$75,000 as a settlement.

Originally it was supposed that these cases would be decided by the United States supreme court in the famous Cupples Woodhouse case, which held that under certain circumstances involving willful trespass in the cutting of timber, the party injured might recover not only the stumpage value but the added value by reason of cutting, hauling, freighting, etc., to the place where such timber was consumed.

After a careful examination of all the facts by the Department of Justice, through its attorneys in Dakota, as well as a special attorney of the department having peculiar knowledge of the classes of cases, it was decided that such a position could not be maintained in the United States courts of Dakota by the government. A settlement of the case was therefore made upon an offer of the defendants of the sum of \$75,000, which it is believed will cover the full stumpage value of the timber taken and all expenses to which the government has been subjected in any of its departments in connection with the cases from the beginning.

Balloons Coming Soon.

Mr. Meiklejohn, as acting secretary of war, is doing everything in his power to give visitors to the Transmississippi Exposition an efficient service at Santiago, and with the signals corps of the army. By the end of next week it is believed that the two balloons which have been used of the north and south coast of Cuba, respectively, will be in Omaha. They are capable of carrying three or four men each and will be held together by a cable made of galvanized iron hundred feet in the air by the men attached to the corps.

Acting Secretary Meiklejohn said today that he is in daily expectation of receiving word of the arrival of a great quantity of material for the reconstruction of Porto Rico. The secretary will order these guns, ammunition, shells, machetes, flags, etc., transported to the exposition just as soon as they are landed in this country.

Lieutenant Pershing of the Tenth cavalry, who has recently promoted for gallantry and efficient services at Santiago, arrived in Washington today and received his commission as major and was attached to the ordnance corps. Acting Secretary Meiklejohn granted Lieutenant Pershing ten days leave for recuperation, after which he will visit military posts in Nebraska.

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TEMPERATURE AT OMAHA

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows include 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

TODAY AT THE EXPOSITION.

- At the Grounds: Bohemian Day, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Indian Congress at Encampment, 10 a.m., MeCook Band, Grand Plaza, Grand Plaza, 2:30 p.m., Organ Recital at Auditorium, 2:30 p.m., Exercises at the Auditorium, MeCook Band, 2:30 p.m., Bohemian Turners' Drill, Grand Plaza, 2:30 p.m., Mexican Band, Government Building, 4 p.m., Life Saving Exhibition on Grand Plaza, 7 p.m., Mexican Band, Grand Plaza, 9 p.m., Fireworks on the North Tract.

FIX UP OMAHA RAIL RATES

Agents of Western Lines Do Not Reach Final Agreement, but Make Tariff for Special Days.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—General passenger agents of western lines were in session again today to consider Omaha rates. They failed to reach an agreement as an organization, but they did reach an understanding that the following would be put in effect: From points from which the one-way rate is not to exceed \$4.50, one fare plus 10 per cent, sale every day; return limit, five days.

Connecting lines to be tendered rate of one fare plus 10 per cent. For St. Louis, date to be fixed, rate to be \$9 from St. Louis. McKinley day will undoubtedly require special consideration. The final return limit on all tickets provided for as above shall in no case exceed November 3, 1898.

REORGANIZE THE B. & O. ROAD.

Receiver Cowan Will Be President and Greene Will Manage.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 26.—It is generally believed that the plans for reorganizing the Baltimore and Ohio railway will be carried into effect before the end of the present year. Under the reorganization Receiver Cowan will be president and Receiver Murray will be first vice president in charge of transportation and traffic.

MILLERS NO LONGER MAKE RATES.

Freight Agents Form Pool to Make Stable Tariff on Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 26.—There was a meeting of general freight agents this afternoon for the purpose of forming a pool which shall have as its chief object the fixing of stable rates on flour shipments. The rate was not fixed, but plans were adopted for arranging a sheet to go into effect in the near future. It is probable that the old fashioned percentage method and millers will no longer make the rates. If the new basis can be maintained rates will be about double what they have been.

CONFEREES MEET SEPARATELY

British and American Commissioners Meet by Themselves and Plan for the Joint Meeting.

QUEBEC, Aug. 26.—Both the American and British commissioners have held meetings by themselves today. No joint meetings will be held until Monday, the Friday of next week they will adjourn until September 20, but it is probable that before the recess is taken some intimation will be given as to whether or not anything is likely to be accomplished. Just what subjects have been discussed so far is not known.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—A telegram from Secretary Alger at Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, was read at the cabinet meeting today. Secretary Alger stated that he found the existing conditions at the camp fairly satisfactory.

EASTERN WAR CLOUD

Situation Suddenly Becomes Acute with Relation to China.

ENGLAND MAKES A NAVAL DEMONSTRATION

Relations with Tsung-Li-Yamen Strained to Point of Rapture.

FLEET CONCENTRATED AT WEI-HAI-WEI

All War Ships Under 6,000 Tons Mobilized in Yang Tse River.

CONFLICTING REPORTS ABOUT RUSSIA

Violent Scenes Said to Have Occurred Between British Minister and Russian Charge d'Affaires—Activity at Port Arthur.

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LONDON, Aug. 26.—(New York Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The Pekin correspondent of the Daily Mail says: The situation has suddenly become acute. The relations between the Tsung-Li-Yamen and Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister, are strained to the point of rupture.

It is in support of Sir Claude MacDonald the fleet has been concentrated at Wei Hai Wei and Hankow and all the war ships under 6,000 tons have been mobilized in the Yang Tse river. The naval demonstration is solely directed against China, as it is semi-officially stated that the existing relations with Russia are cordial. Lord Salisbury has abandoned the policy of the open door, substituting for it a policy of spheres of influence.

Great Britain is willing to drop her protest in respect to the New Chwang railway, but Russia is required to cancel her agreement with China that the country having the largest financial interest should arbitrate in disputes connected with the Peking-Hankow railway.

The negotiations are confined to Peking. The British ambassadors at St. Petersburg and Pekin are in close communication. Have a Stormy Scene. LONDON, Aug. 26.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says: Violent scenes are reported to have occurred between Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister, and M. Pavloff, the Russian charge d'affaires, owing to the latter's commanding the Tsung-Li-Yamen to evoke the assistance of the Hong Kong bank under the plan of the czar's strong displeasure.

The position is now worse than ever; all the Russian ships have returned to Port Arthur, while the British vessels are assembling at Wei Hai Wei and Chefoo. Extreme activity prevails ashore at Port Arthur. The action of the Russians at New Chwang indicates the intention on their part to remain there in strong force whether they build the Tien Tsin railway or not.

The Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that he is in a position to confirm the statement he recently made that a compromise has been arrived at between England and Russia, in accordance with which Russia gets her way on the railway questions and England gets concessions in other directions.

The relations between England and Russia, the correspondent says, "are very satisfactory and Russian concessions fully meet English ideas." With reference to the sensational Chinese dispatch to the Daily Mail and a news agency which asserted that the Chinese of the Times' Pekin correspondent, Dr. Morrison, who has been conspicuously alert throughout, always getting information ahead of the foreign office, has thus far accomplished nothing on the subject.

The Emperor Nicholas replied: The empress and myself are deeply touched by the sentiments you have been so good as to express on the occasion of the anniversary of our visit on board the Potiuan. We like to revert to our thoughts to those historic moments and the remembrance of which will never fade.

COURT AN ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN. Mission of Sir Charles Balfour to Orient for the Russian Emperor.